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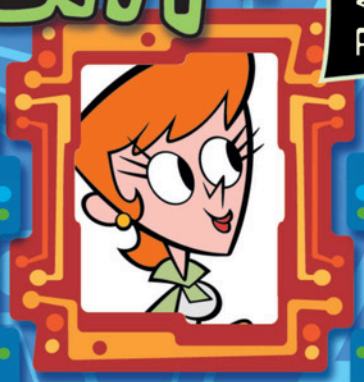
< MOTHER AND FATHER - PARENTAL UNITS >
< MUST NOT KNOW ABOUT LAB >

< DEXTER - SCIENTIST / BOY GENIUS >
< CONCOCTS EXPERIMENTS IN HIS LAB >

< DEE DEE - SISTER / SABOTEUR >
< DESTROYS EXPERIMENTS IN HER BROTHER'S LAB >



Dexter created THE DREAMWISH-O-TRON 5000, a machine to turn his dearest dream into reality...to finally be an only child, without a sister to mess up his experiments. The invention was a success, but there's a problem. Without Dee Dee, he's lost his creative spark. He's got to get her back! Dexter's launched himself into an alternate dimension to rescue her. He finds himself...inside the land of Dee Dee!

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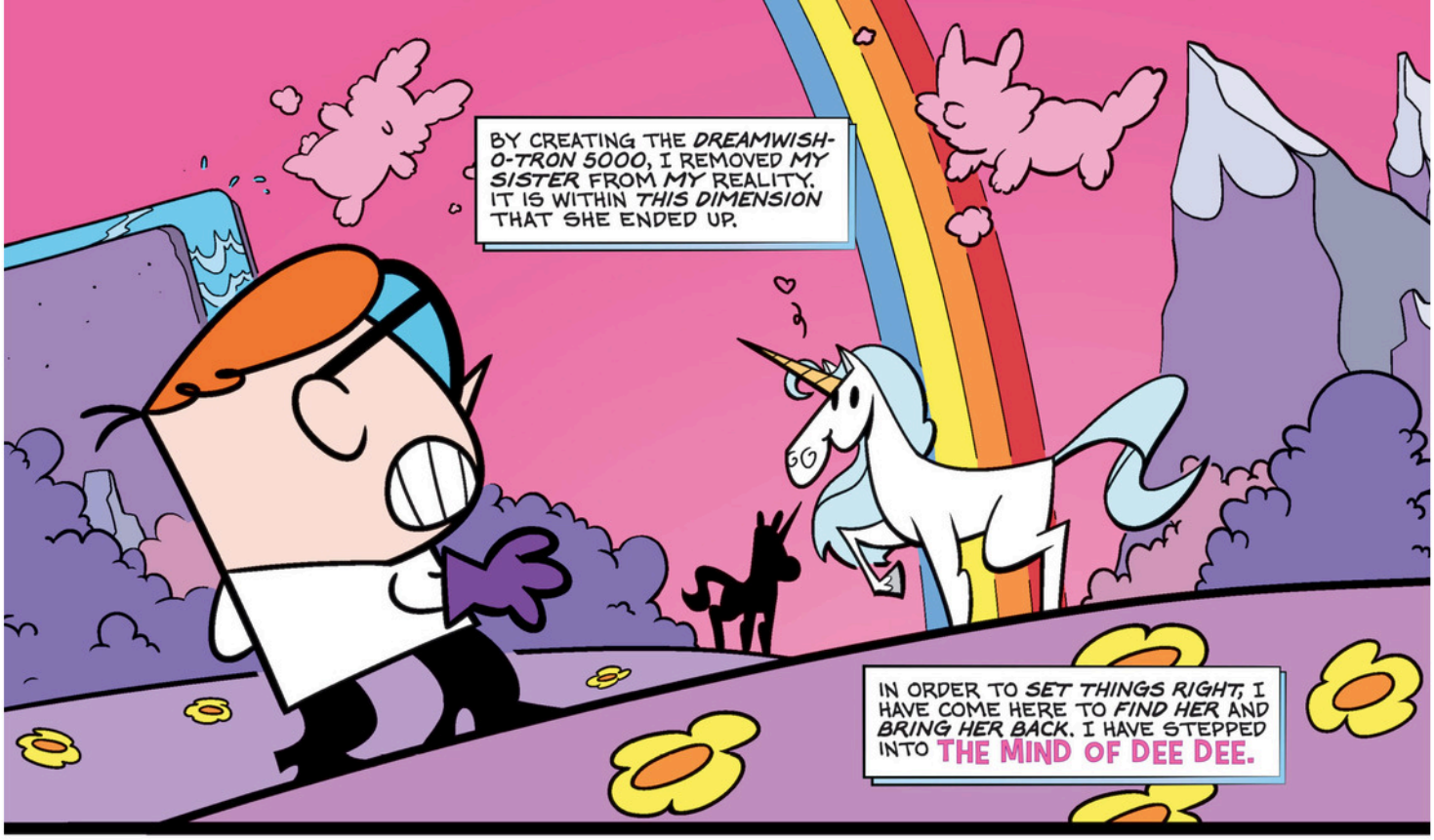
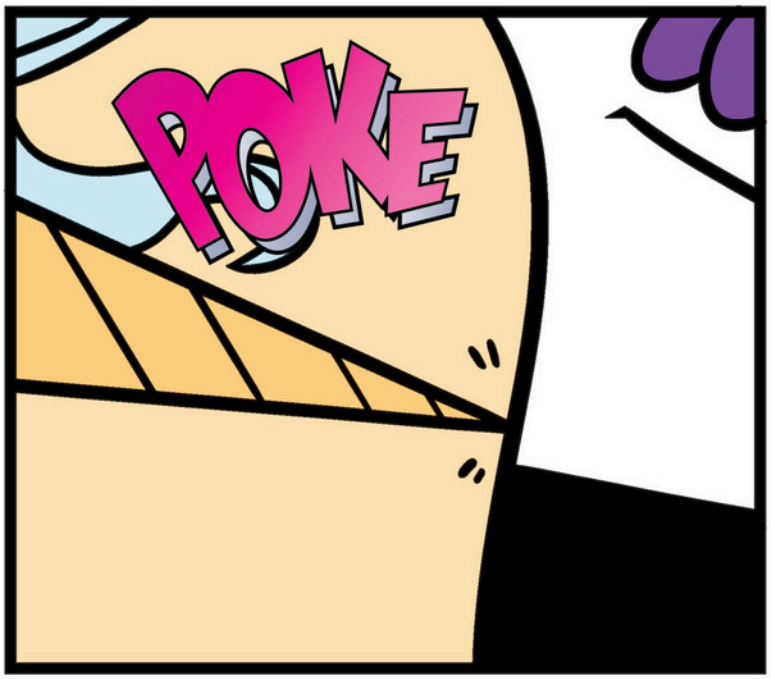
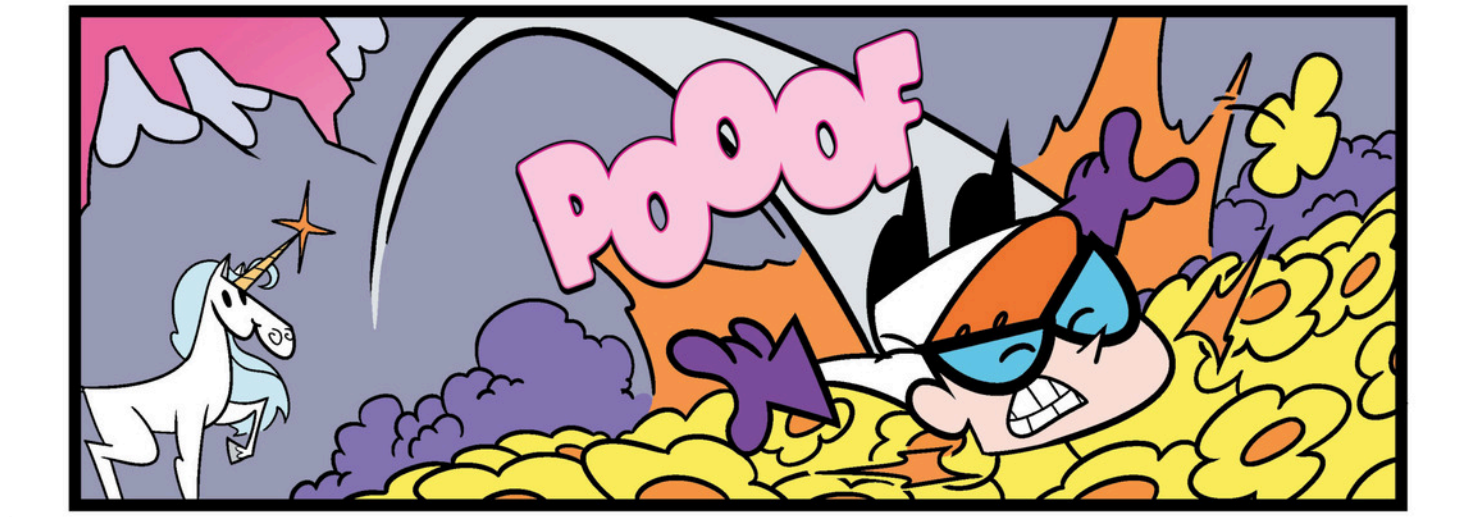
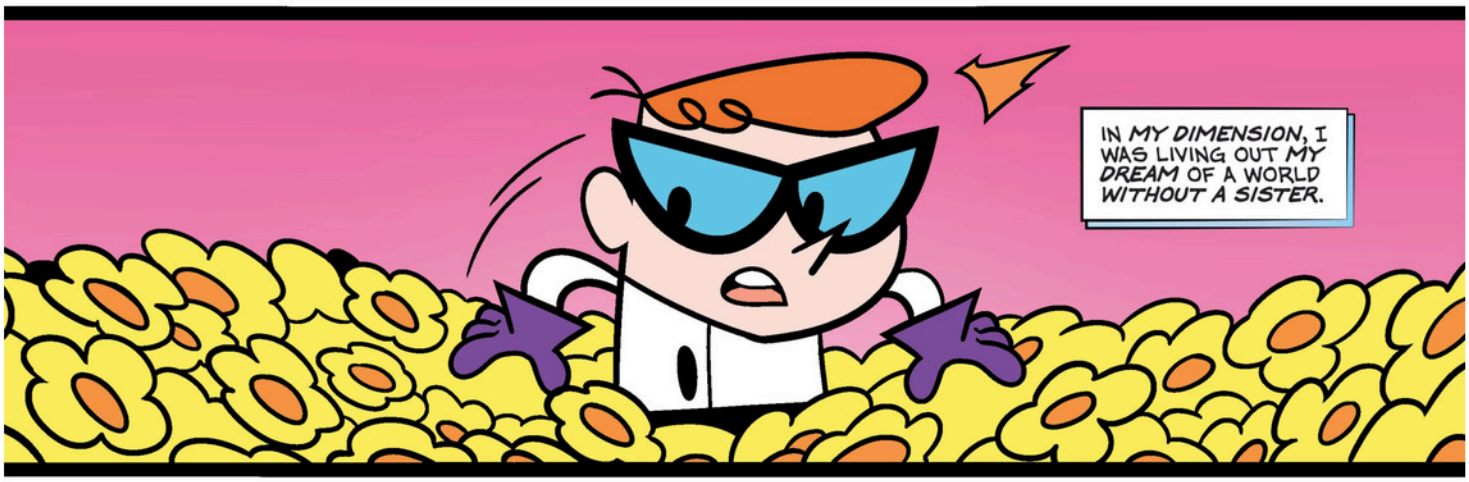

BY CREATING THE DREAMWISH-O-TRON 5000, I REMOVED MY SISTER FROM MY REALITY. IT IS WITHIN THIS DIMENSION THAT SHE ENDED UP.
IN ORDER TO SET THINGS RIGHT, I HAVE COME HERE TO FIND HER AND BRING HER BACK. I HAVE STEPPED INTO THE MIND OF DEE DEE.

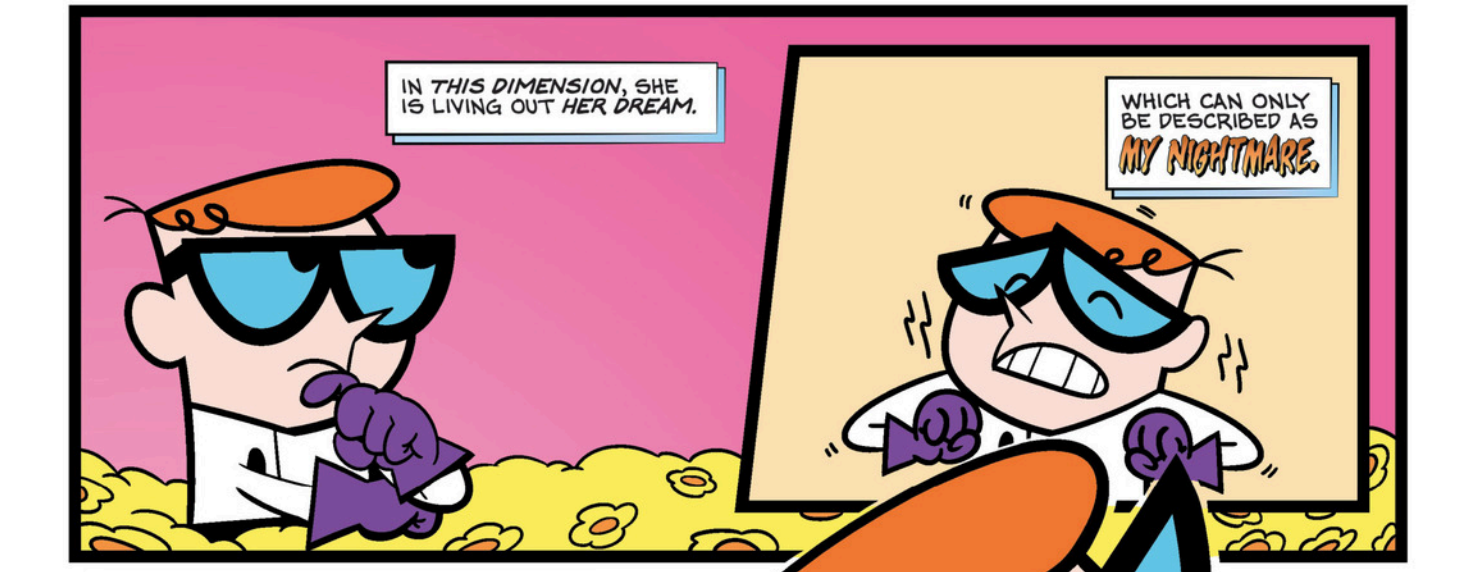
BUT WHAT I HAVE FOUND DEFIES LOGIC.
I SEE YOU. BUT I DO NOT BELIEVE IN YOU.

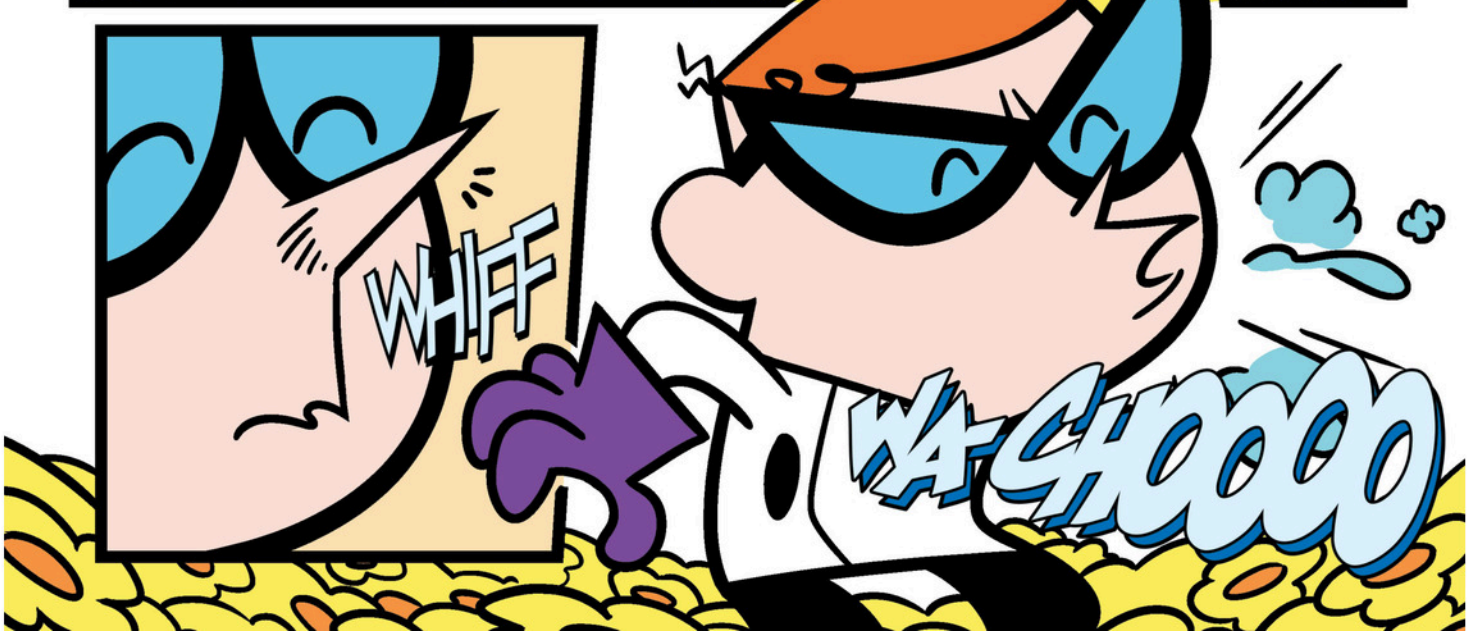

POKE

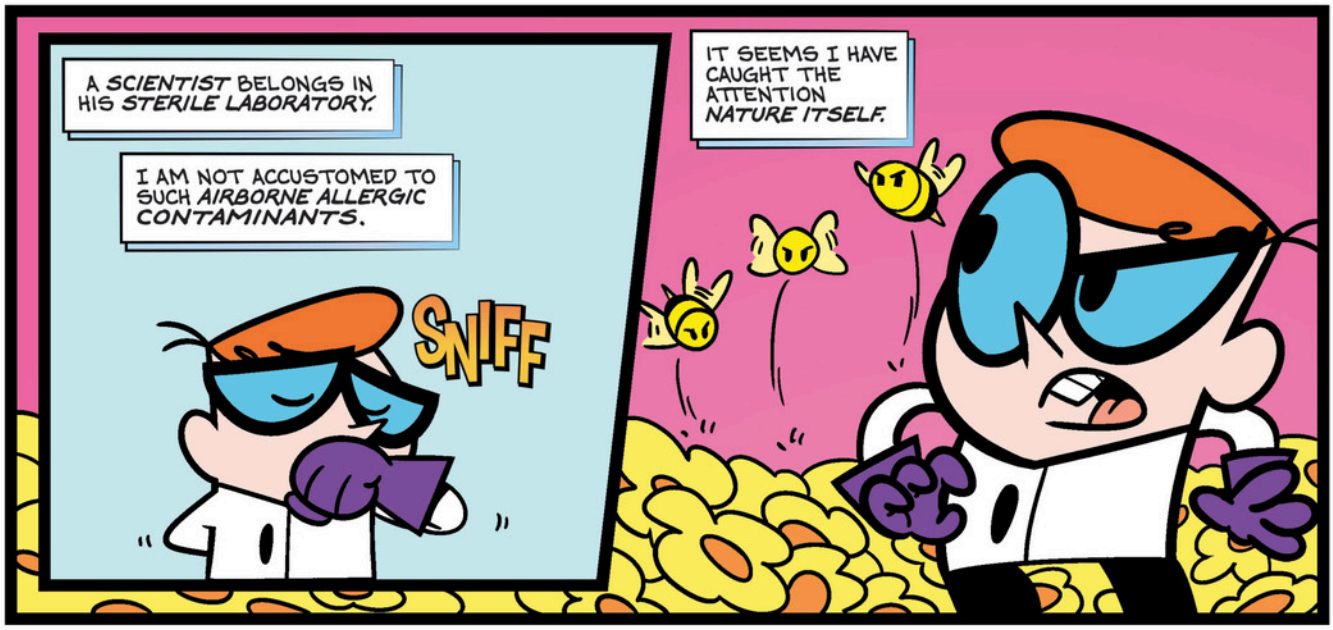
UNICORNS DON'T EXIST. BUT THIS PAIN DOES!
OWWWW!

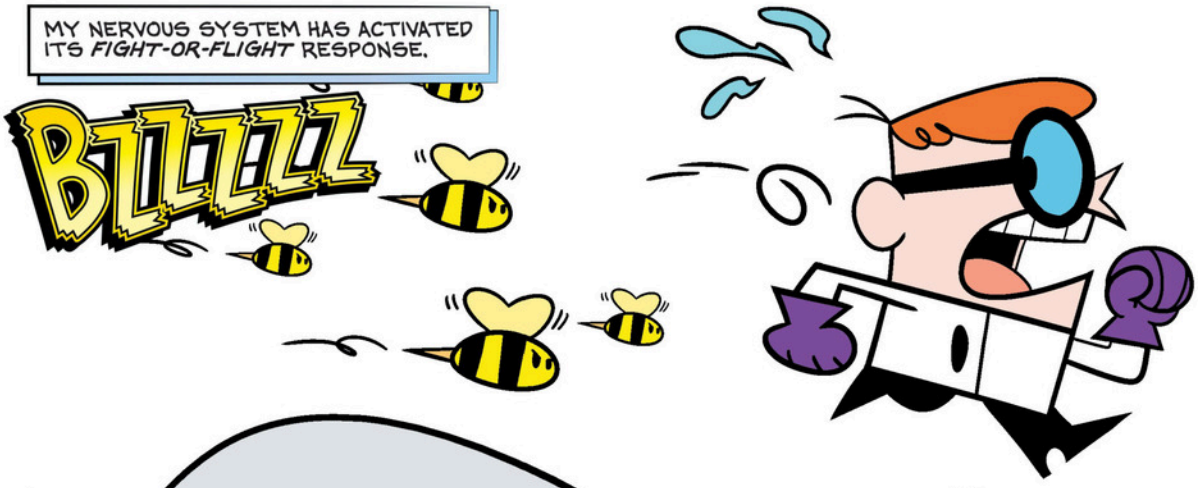

POOOF


IN MY DIMENSION, I WAS LIVING OUT MY DREAM OF A WORLD WITHOUT A SISTER.

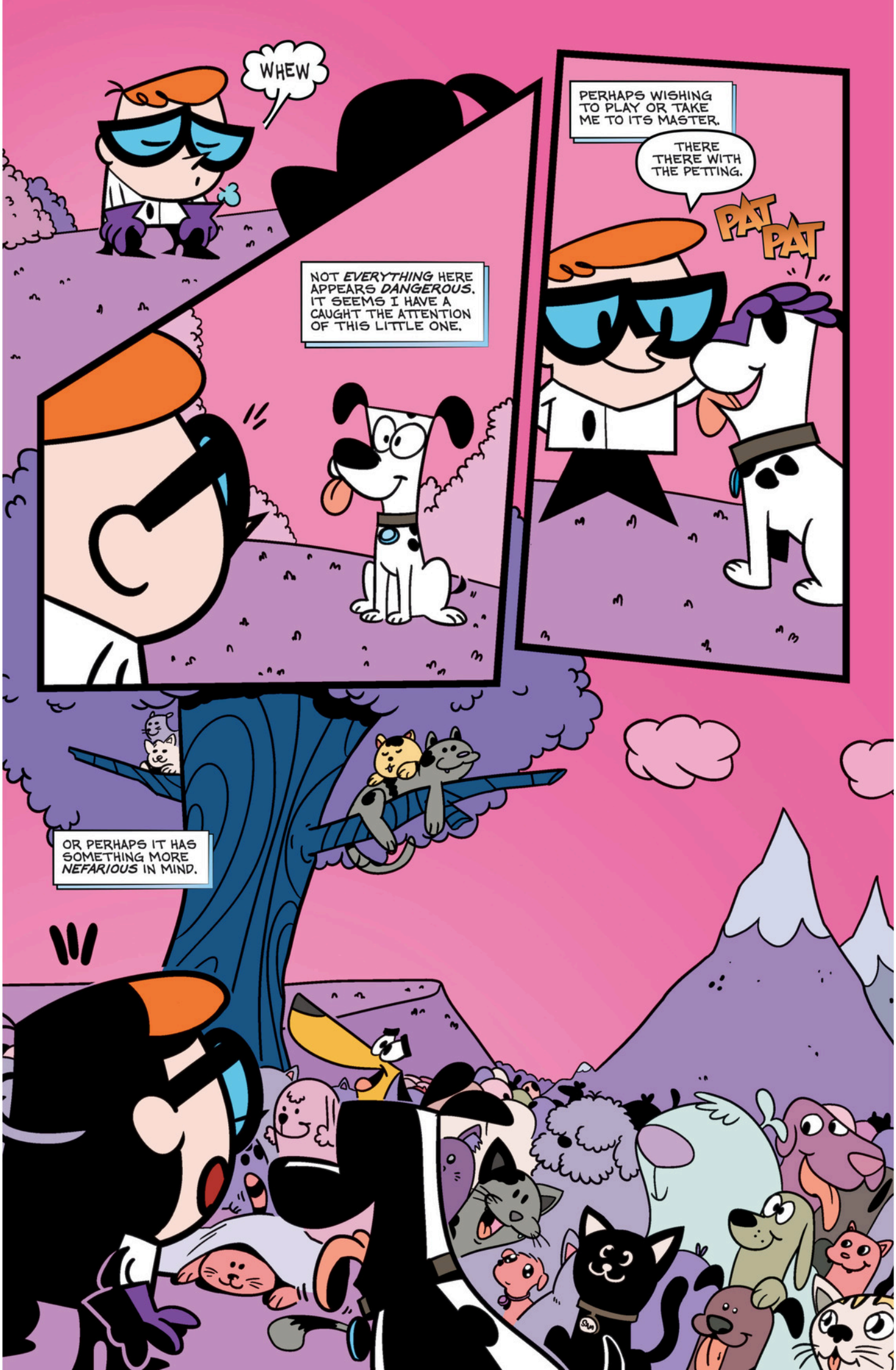

IN THIS DIMENSION, SHE IS LIVING OUT HER DREAM.
WHICH CAN ONLY BE DESCRIBED AS MY NIGHTMARE.

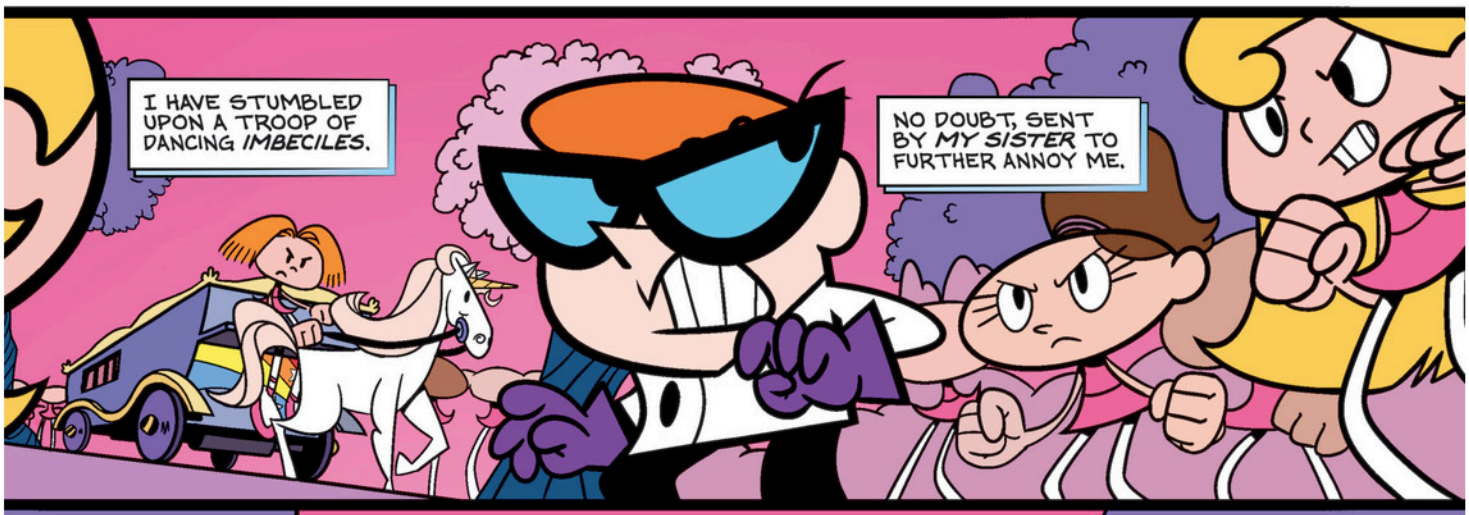

WHIFF
WA-SHOOOO

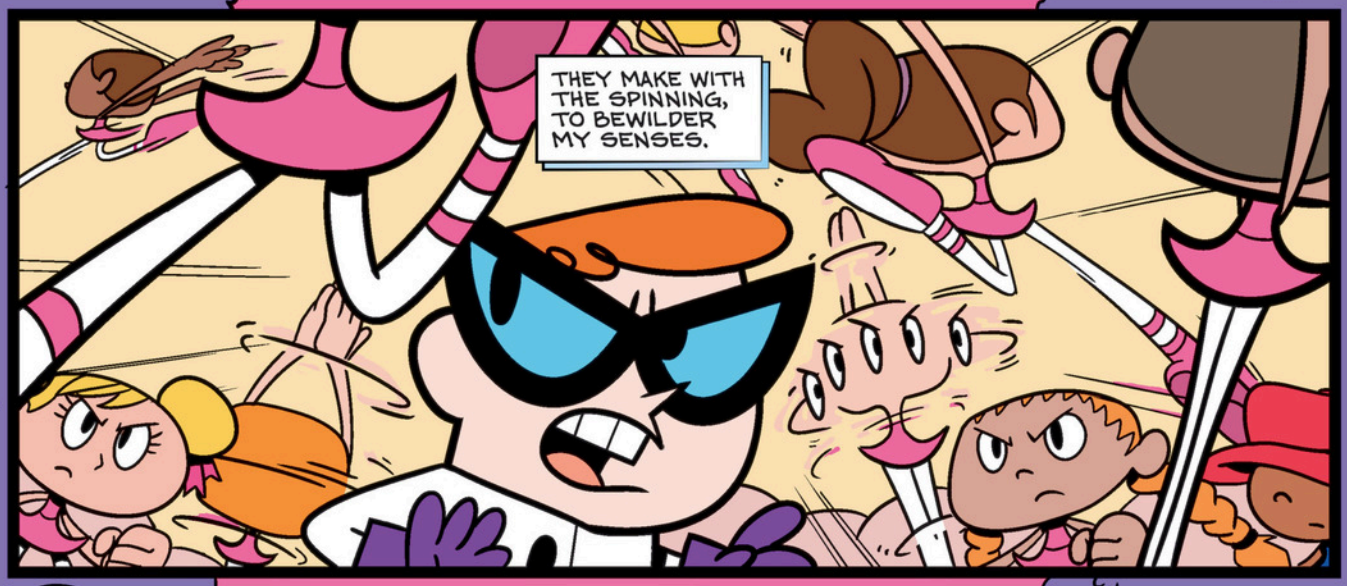

A SCIENTIST BELONGS IN HIS STERILE LABORATORY.
I AM NOT ACCUSTOMED TO SUCH AIRBORNE ALLERGIC CONTAMINANTS.
SNIFF
IT SEEMS I HAVE CAUGHT THE ATTENTION NATURE ITSELF.


MY NERVOUS SYSTEM HAS ACTIVATED ITS FIGHT-OR-FLIGHT RESPONSE.
BZZZZZZ

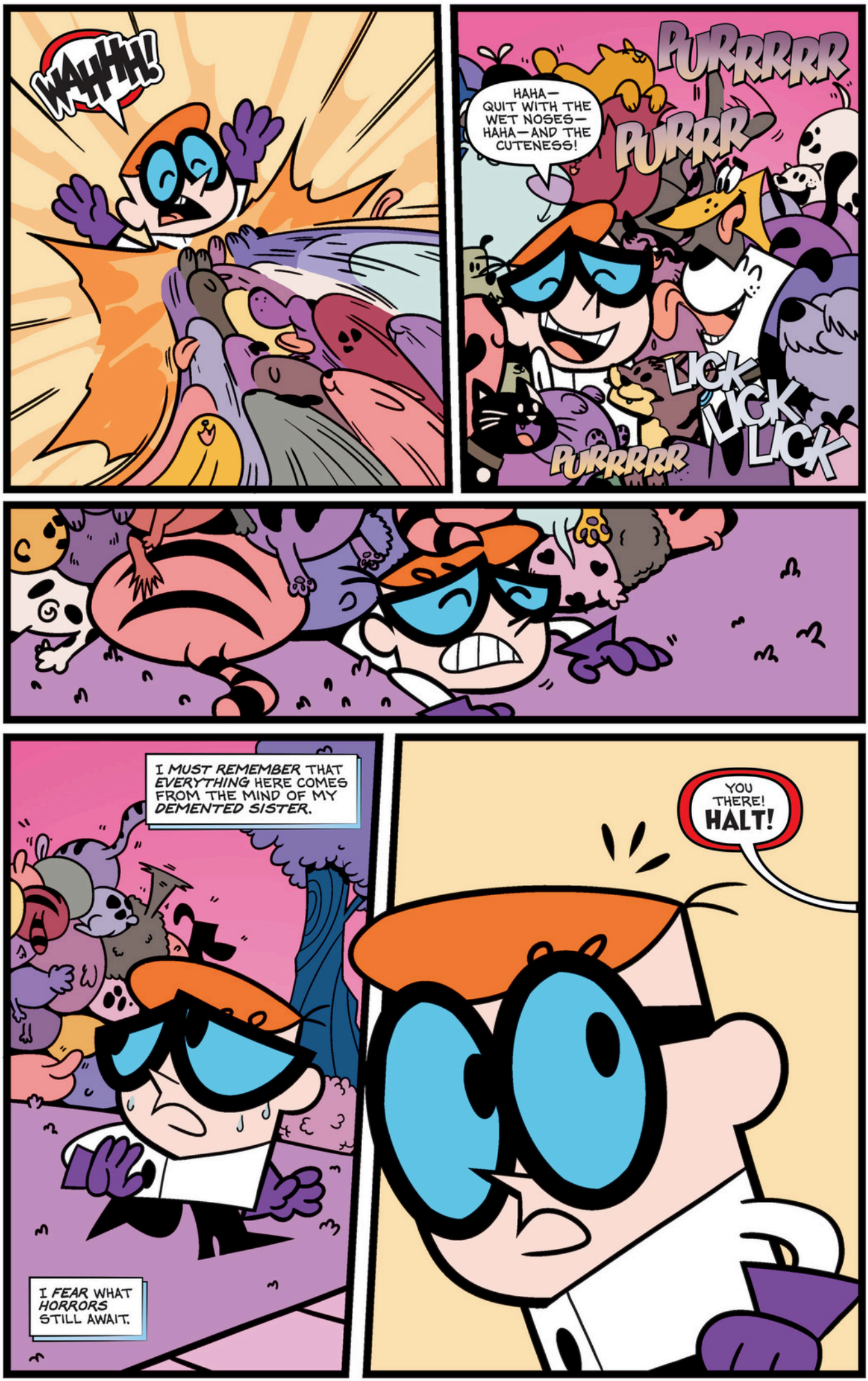
IT HAS WISELY CHOSEN FLIGHT.


WHEW
NOT *EVERYTHING* HERE APPEARS *DANGEROUS*. IT SEEMS I HAVE A CAUGHT THE ATTENTION OF THIS LITTLE ONE.
PERHAPS WISHING TO PLAY OR TAKE ME TO ITS MASTER.
THERE THERE WITH THE PETTING.
PAT PAT
OR PERHAPS IT HAS SOMETHING MORE *NEFARIOUS* IN MIND.

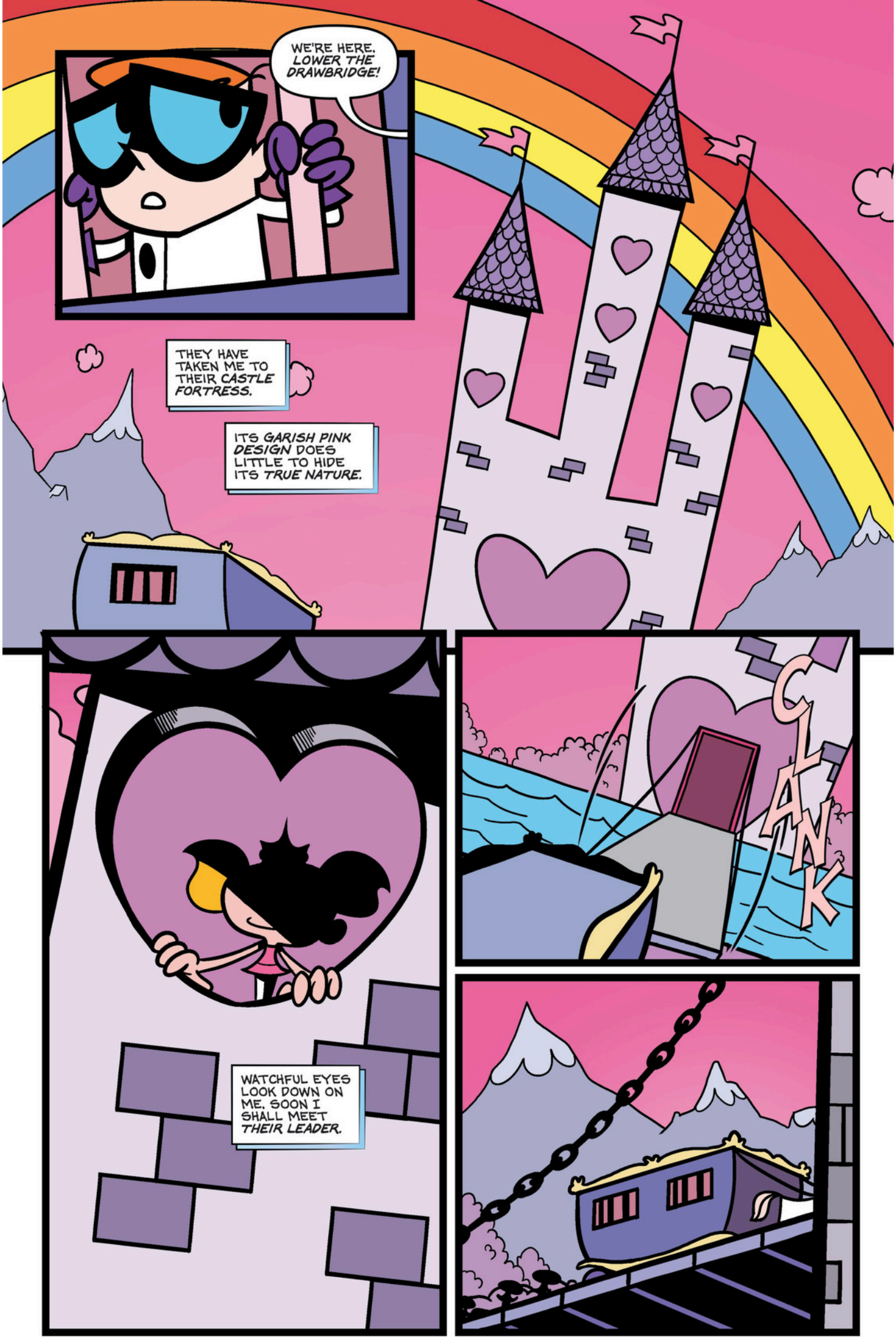

I HAVE STUMBLED UPON A TROOP OF DANCING *IMBECILES*.
NO DOUBT, SENT BY *MY SISTER* TO FURTHER ANNOY ME.

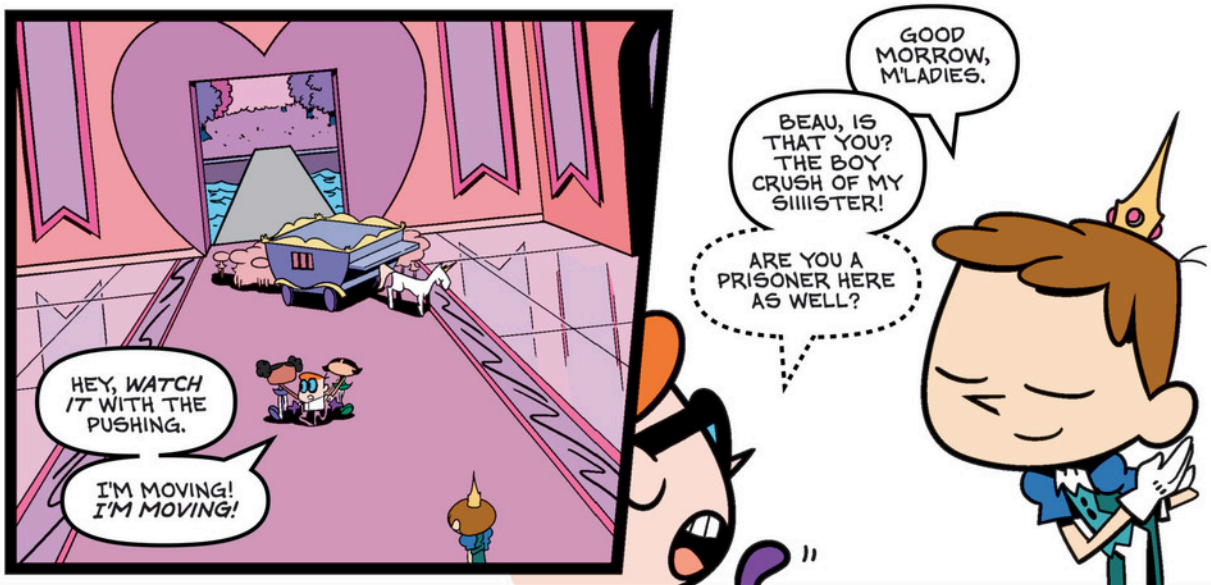

THEY MAKE WITH THE SPINNING, TO BEWILDER MY SENSES.

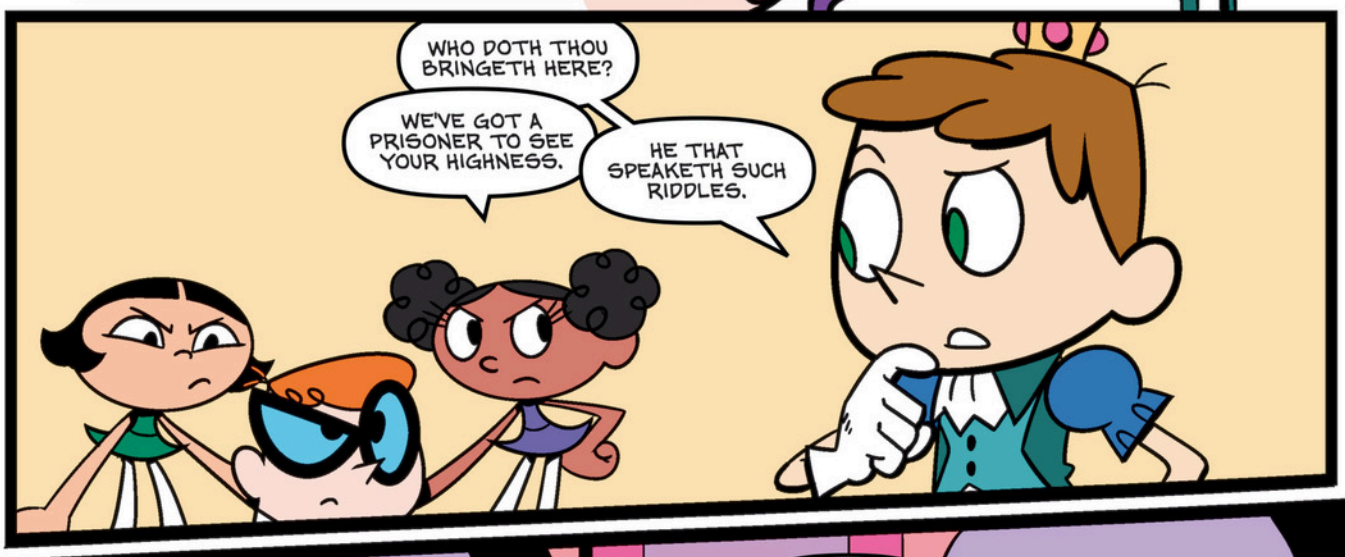
AND REVEAL THEIR LIEUTENANTS TO ME.
SPEAK, STRANGER. WHO ARE YOU?


WAHHH!
HAHA— QUIT WITH THE WET NOSES— HAHA—AND THE CUTENESS!
PURRRRRR
PURRRR
LICK LICK LICK
PURRRRRR
I MUST REMEMBER THAT EVERYTHING HERE COMES FROM THE MIND OF MY DEMENTED SISTER.
I FEAR WHAT HORRORS STILL AWAIT.
YOU THERE! HALT!

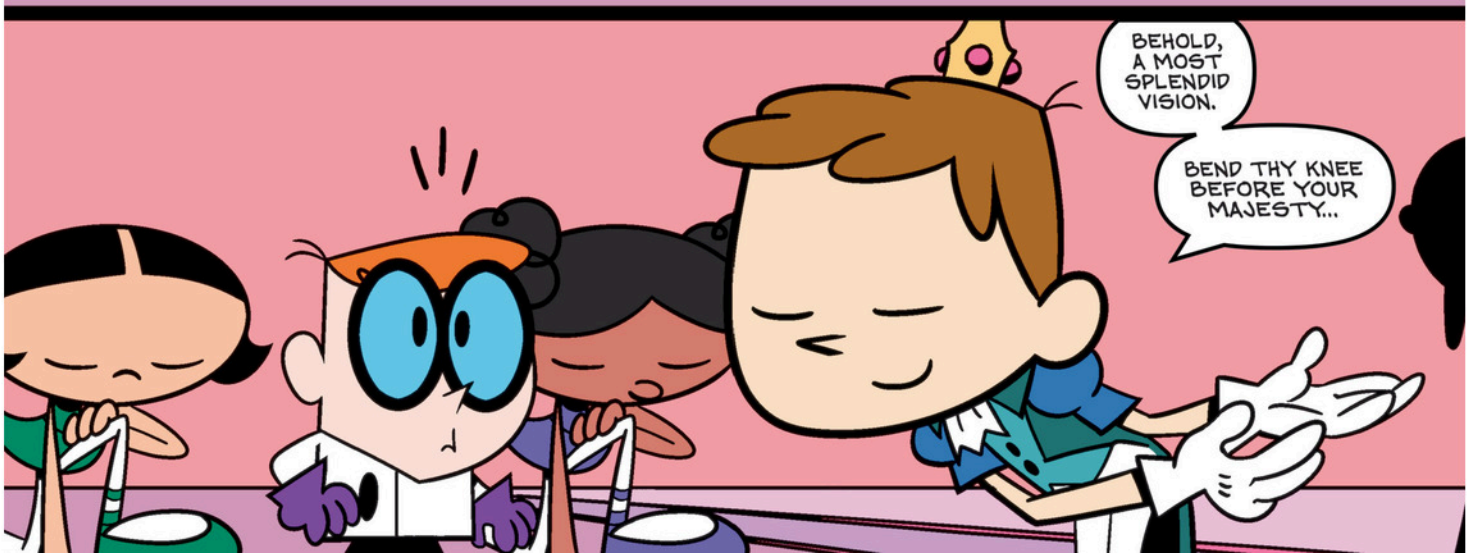
LEE LEE? MEE MEE? IT'S ME, DEXTER!
HEY GIRL, DO YOU KNOW THIS CAT?
NO. DO YOU?
NO WAY!
SNAP
YOU ARE INTRUDING ON THE LAND OF DEE.
LOCK HIM UP!
LOCK
EXCUSE ME... HELLOOO? I DO NOT BELONG HERE.
WE KNOW!

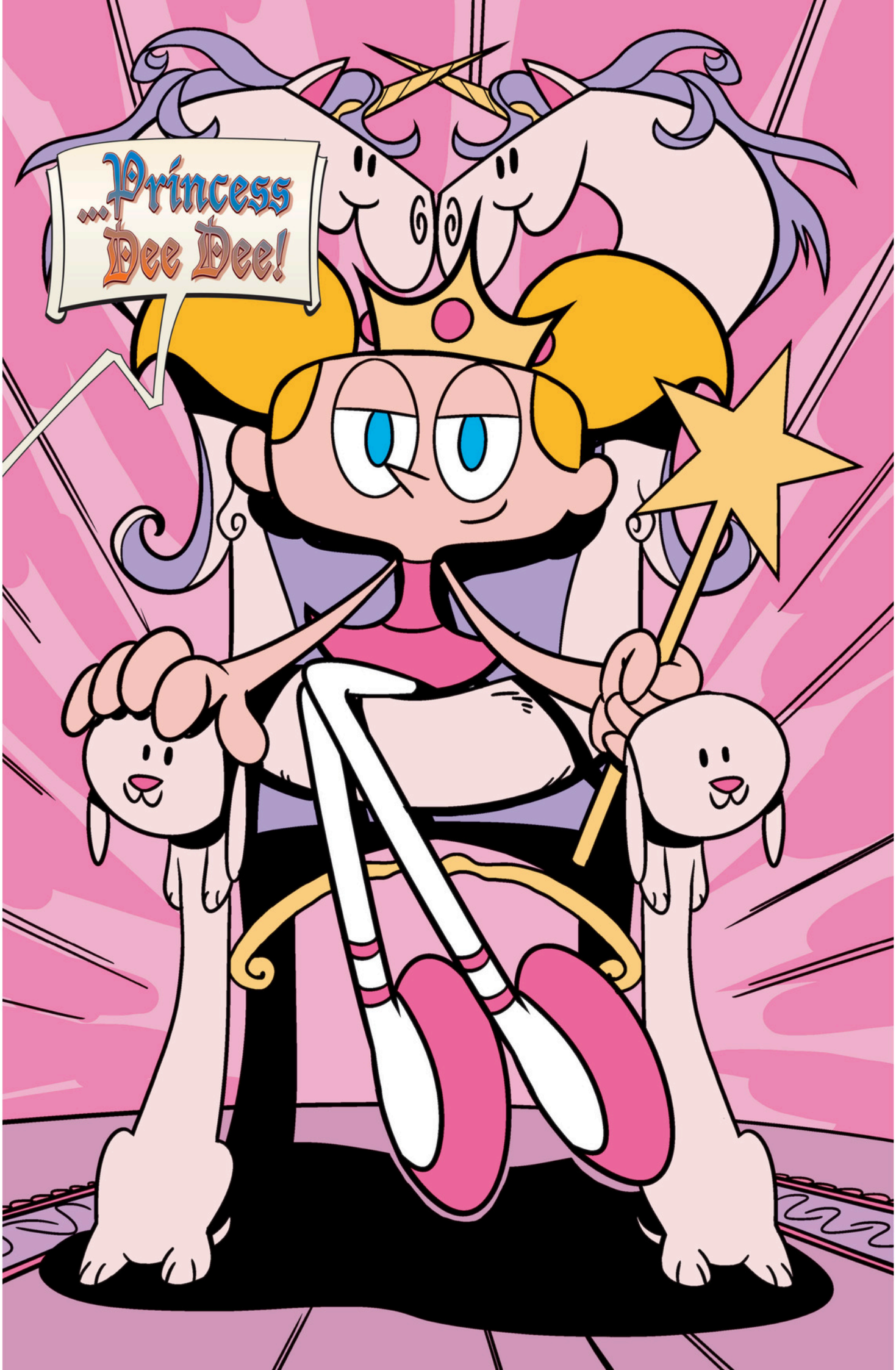

WE'RE HERE. LOWER THE DRAWBRIDGE!
THEY HAVE TAKEN ME TO THEIR CASTLE FORTRESS.
ITS GARISH PINK DESIGN DOES LITTLE TO HIDE ITS TRUE NATURE.
WATCHFUL EYES LOOK DOWN ON ME. SOON I SHALL MEET THEIR LEADER.
CLANK


HEY, WATCH IT WITH THE PUSHING.
I'M MOVING! I'M MOVING!
GOOD MORROW, M'LADIES.
BEAU, IS THAT YOU? THE BOY CRUSH OF MY SIIIISTER!
ARE YOU A PRISONER HERE AS WELL?

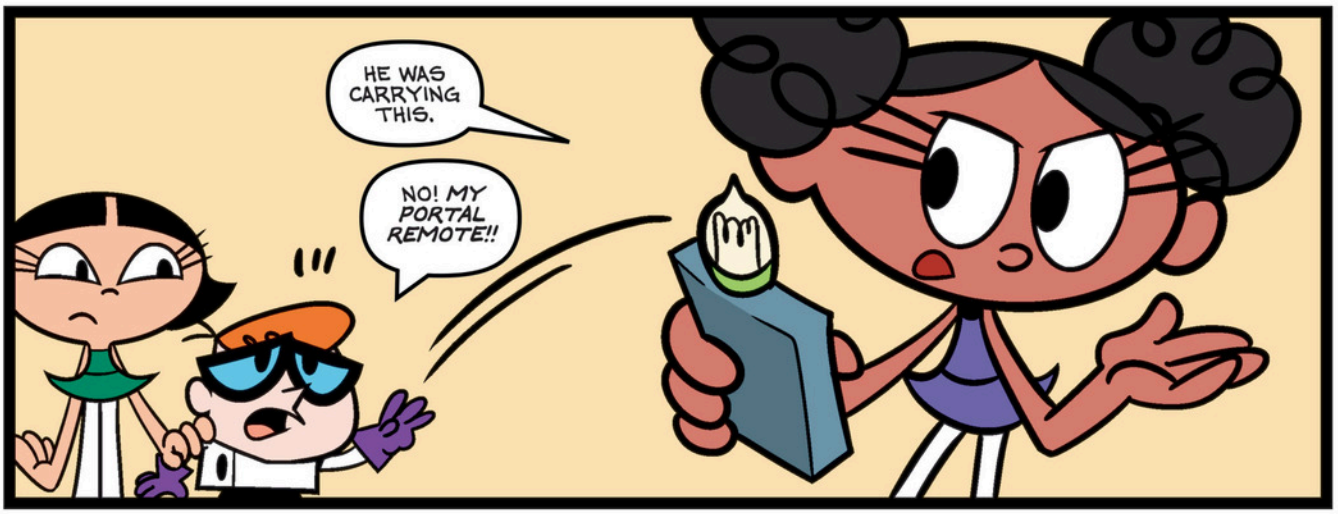

WHO DOTH THOU BRINGETH HERE?
WE'VE GOT A PRISONER TO SEE YOUR HIGHNESS.
HE THAT SPEAKETH SUCH RIDDLES.

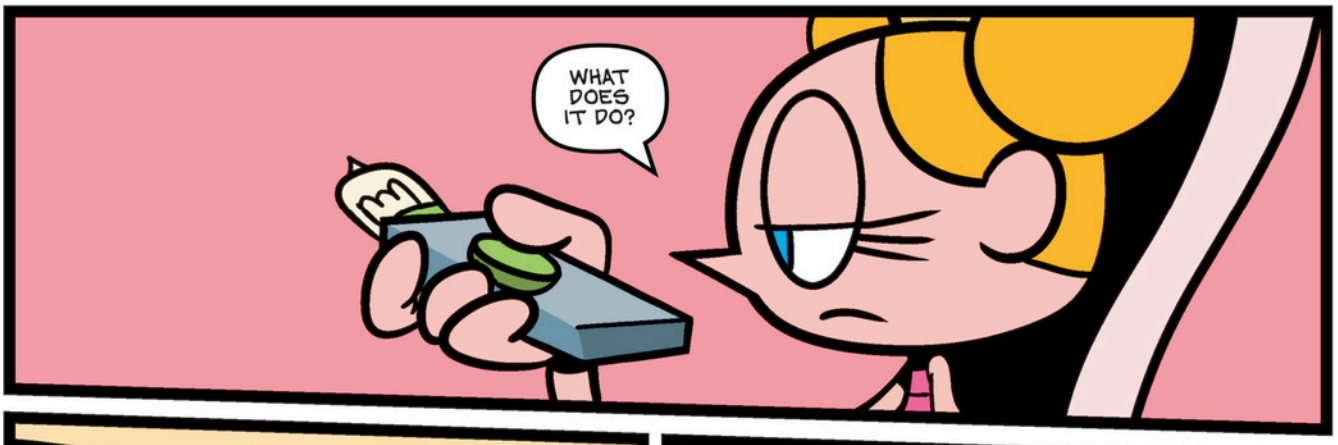
VERILY SO! IF THOU WILT FOLLOW ME...


BEHOLD, A MOST SPLENDID VISION.
BEND THY KNEE BEFORE YOUR MAJESTY...


...Princess
Dee Dee!

DEE DEE! YOU LOOK... DIFFERENT.
BUT NEVER MIND. WE MUST GO BACK TO SET THINGS RIGHT!
DEE DEEEEE, COME WITH ME!
I'M AFRAID I DON'T RECOGNIZE THIS ONE.
WHO SQUEAKS AT ME?
I AM DEXTER, BOY GENIUS! DON'T YOU RECOGNIZE YOUR BROTHER?
YOU, MY BROTHER? YOU LOOK MORE LIKE A DWARF OR GOBLIN.
HE IS KIND OF CUTE THOUGH.
EXCUSE YOU?
WHERE DID YOU FIND HIM?
ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF THE KINGDOM.
IF DEE DEE DIDN'T EXIST IN MY REALITY, THEN I DON'T EXIST IN HERS.
OUR SIBLING BONDS ARE ALTERED. FORGOTTEN.


HE WAS CARRYING THIS.
NO! MY PORTAL REMOTE!!


WHAT DOES IT DO?

IF SHE PRESSES THE BUTTON, IT WILL ACTIVATE THE PORTAL AND WE CAN GO HOME.
YES... YES... SHE CANNOT FIGHT HER HUMAN NATURE. TO DO WHAT SHE ALWAYS DOES.

I CANNOT HIDE IT FROM YOU ANY LONGER.
YOU KNOW YOU WANT TO PRESS THE BUTTON!

PRESS IT? WHY WOULD I WANT TO DO THAT?

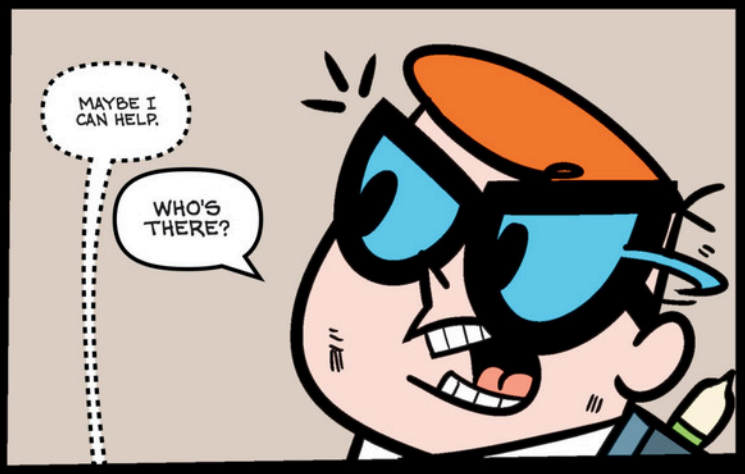
THIS IS OBVIOUSLY USELESS TECHNOLOGY.
SCIENCE ISN'T ALLOWED HERE. IT IS FORBIDDEN.

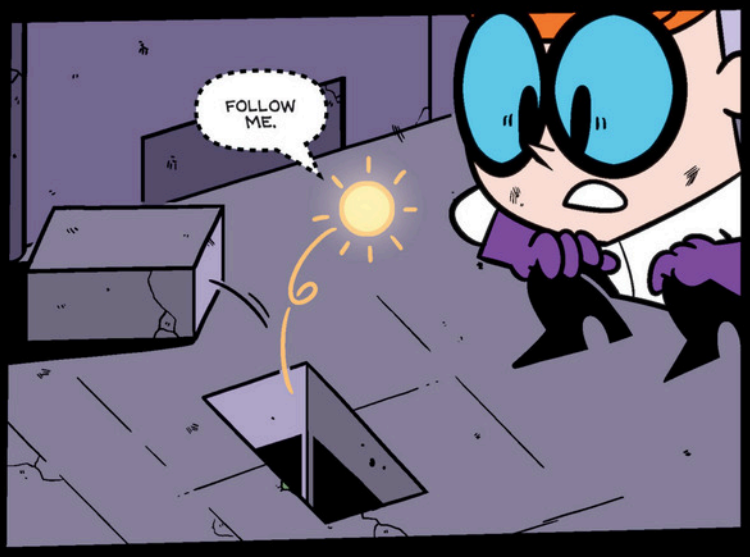
A WORLD *WITHOUT SCIENCE*? NO INTELLECT, LOGIC, OR INVENTIONS.
IT CAN'T BE. IT'S IMPOSSIBLE!
DISCARD THIS. IT'S OF *NO USE* TO ME.
AND LOCK UP THIS *INTRUDER*. ADIEU!
NO, DEE DEE...
WAIT! PLEASE!!

"WE HAVE BEEN BROTHER AND SISTER FOR MANY YEARS. PARTIES, RECITALS, FAMILY TRIPS. IT IS A BOND THAT SHOULD NOT BE BROKEN.
"WHEN YOU VANISHED, I CREATED A DEVICE TO FIND YOU. TO BRING YOU BACK. THAT IS WHY I AM HERE."
OOOOOH... THAT SOUNDS LIKE MAGIC. ARE YOU A WIZARD? I LIKE MAGIC!
FOOLISH GIRRRL! MAGIC DOES NOT TRULY EXIST.
THIS IS SCIENCE!
USING PHYSICS AND AN EINSTEIN-ROSEN BRIDGE, I CONSTRUCTED A DIMENSIONAL DOORWAY USING A QUANTUM FIELD THEORY ALLOWING FOR ENERGY DENSITY TO STABILIZE A TRAVERSABLE WORMHOLE.
THAT'S WHAT I THOUGHT. YOU'RE A NON-BELIEVER.
TAKE HIM TO THE DUNGEON.

SHE DOESN'T REMEMBER ME. SHE DOESN'T BELIEVE ME. I HAVE *FAILED.*
I WILL BE STUCK HERE *FOREVER.*
SUIIIDE
LEE LEE, WHERE ARE YOU?
GIRL, WE'RE LATE FOR PATROL!

SERENDIPITOUS FORTUNE! MY PORTAL DEVICE HAS BEEN RETURNED!
BUT NOW WHAT? MY SISTER'S MIND IS UNCHANGED.

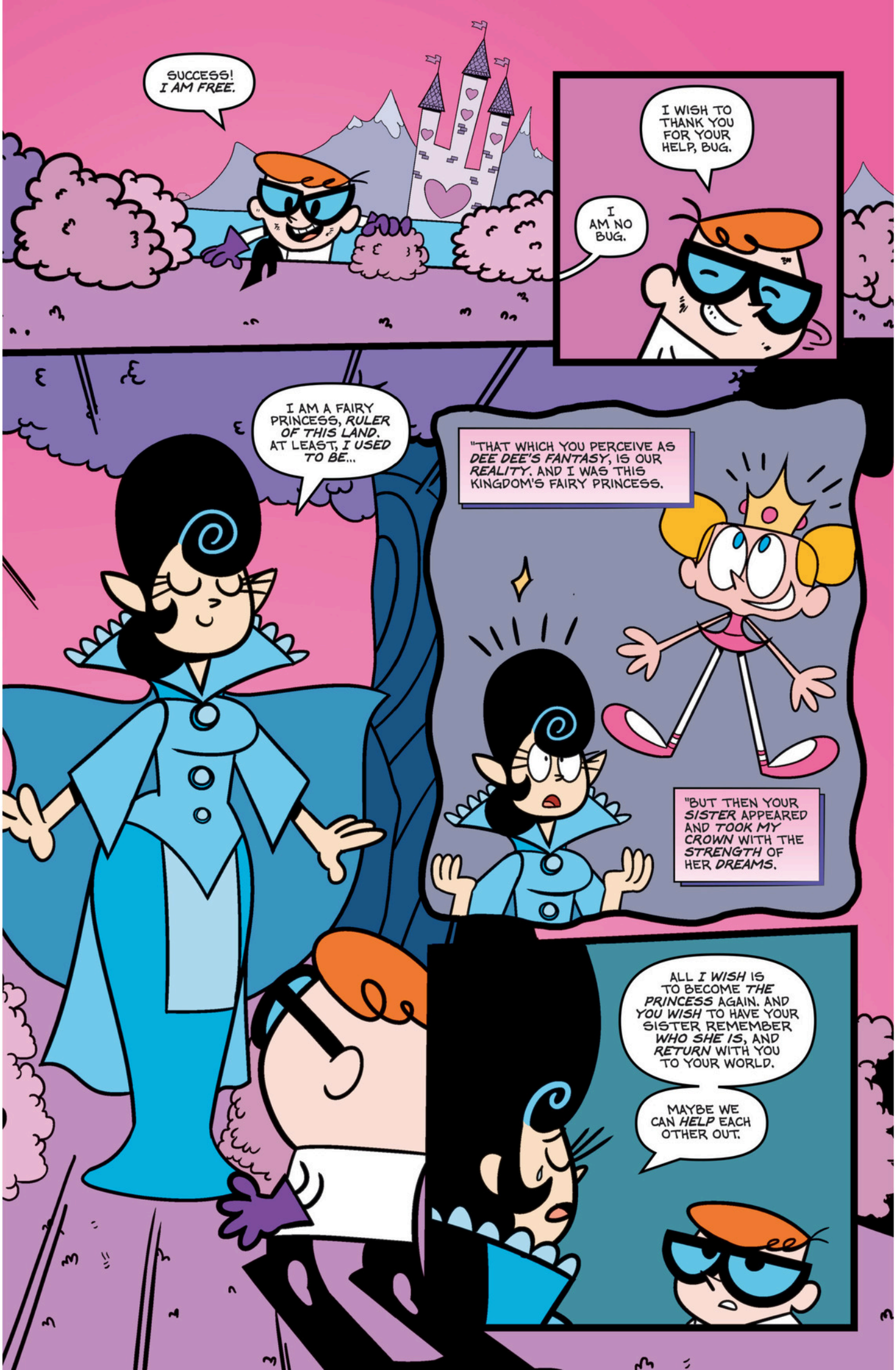

MAYBE I CAN HELP.
WHO'S THERE?


FOLLOW ME.

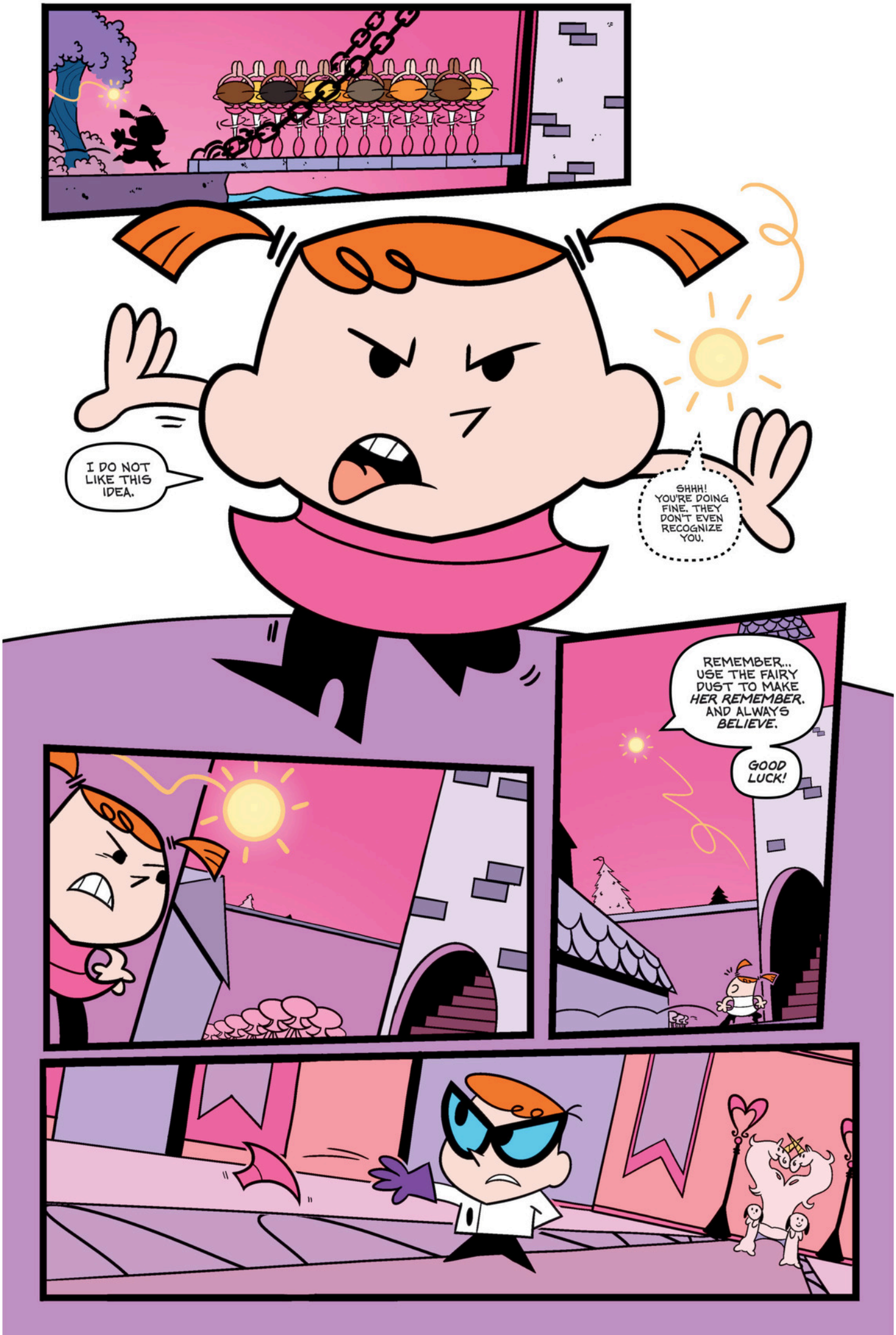
WHO ARE YOU? WHERE ARE WE GOING?
KEEP UP. WE'RE ALMOST THERE.

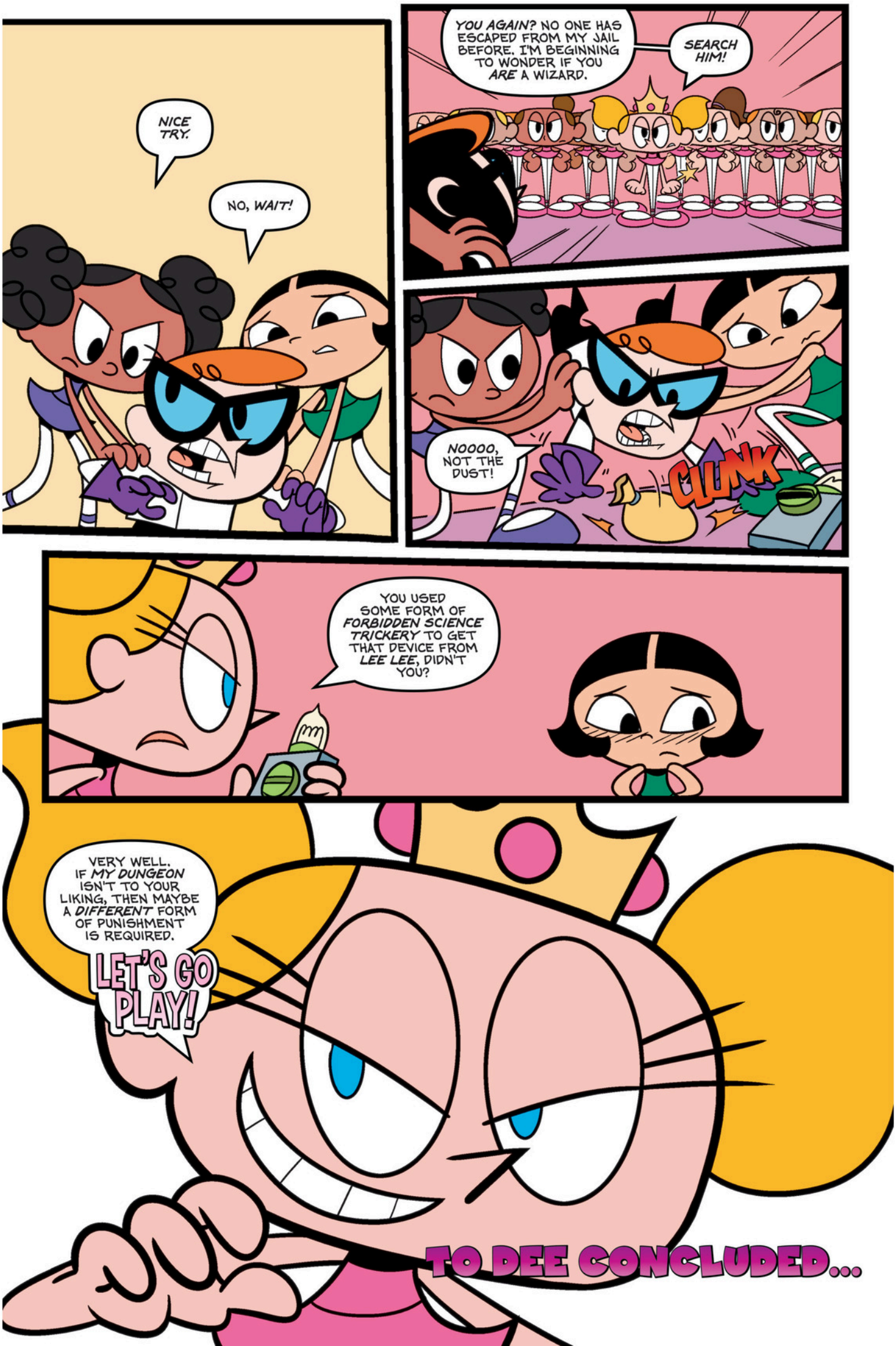
EWW... GROSS WITH THE SPIDERS AND THE WEBBING.
JUST A FEW MORE STEPS.

SPLOOOSH


SUCCESS! I AM FREE.
I WISH TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP, BUG.
I AM NO BUG.
I AM A FAIRY PRINCESS, RULER OF THIS LAND. AT LEAST, I USED TO BE...
"THAT WHICH YOU PERCEIVE AS DEE DEE'S FANTASY, IS OUR REALITY. AND I WAS THIS KINGDOM'S FAIRY PRINCESS.
"BUT THEN YOUR SISTER APPEARED AND TOOK MY CROWN WITH THE STRENGTH OF HER DREAMS.
ALL I WISH IS TO BECOME THE PRINCESS AGAIN. AND YOU WISH TO HAVE YOUR SISTER REMEMBER WHO SHE IS, AND RETURN WITH YOU TO YOUR WORLD.
MAYBE WE CAN HELP EACH OTHER OUT.

THIS WILL HELP YOU ON YOUR QUEST.
A BAG OF SAND?
I DO NOT BELIEVE IN MAGIC!
NO. IT'S MAGICAL FAIRY DUST, SILLY.
THE ONLY WAY TO CONVINCE YOUR SISTER IS FOR YOU TO BELIEVE.
SPRINKLE THIS DUST OVER HER TO MAKE HER REMEMBER.
ONCE SHE LEAVES THIS LAND, I WILL BECOME THEIR PRINCESS AGAIN.
HOW SHALL I GET BACK IN THE CASTLE? THE WALLS ARE TOO HIGH TO CLIMB. CAN WE ACQUIRE A CATAPULT WITH THE RIGHT TRAJECTORY? OR IS THERE ANOTHER HIDDEN PASSAGE TO GET BACK INSIDE?
I THINK I HAVE AN IDEA.


I DO NOT LIKE THIS IDEA.
SHHH! YOU'RE DOING FINE. THEY DON'T EVEN RECOGNIZE YOU.
REMEMBER... USE THE FAIRY DUST TO MAKE HER REMEMBER. AND ALWAYS BELIEVE.
GOOD LUCK!


NICE TRY.
NO, WAIT!
YOU AGAIN? NO ONE HAS ESCAPED FROM MY JAIL BEFORE. I'M BEGINNING TO WONDER IF YOU ARE A WIZARD.
SEARCH HIM!
NOOOO, NOT THE DUST!
CLUNK
YOU USED SOME FORM OF FORBIDDEN SCIENCE TRICKERY TO GET THAT DEVICE FROM LEE LEE, DIDN'T YOU?
VERY WELL. IF MY DUNGEON ISN'T TO YOUR LIKING, THEN MAYBE A DIFFERENT FORM OF PUNISHMENT IS REQUIRED.
LET'S GO PLAY!
TO DEE CONCLUDED...